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A FABLE.

A Serpent ſurly, proud, and vain,
With all the dulleſt of the Train,
Would ſometimes from his Cave appear,
And aw'd, with's Bulk, each Inſect near.

One Evening as from home he ſtray'd,
Acroſs his Path a File was laid;
With ſcorn the rough-hewn Tool he ey'd,
And in inſulting Tone he cry'd,
'Away! thou mean, thou low-born Thing!
'Know, that Death lurks within my ſting:
'Hence Slave! nor dare obſtruct my Way,
'But learn Superiors to obey.
''Tis Arrogance in one ſo baſe,
'To ſtop, and ſtare me in the Face:
'And Folly thus my Pow'r to brave,
'None, whom I bite, eſcape the Grave'.
Enrag'd to ſee th' Inanimate
Regardleſs of his haughty Threat;
He ſwore Revenge, and vow'd his Death,
Bit the hard Steel, and broke his Teeth,
Then like a cruel Victor ſaid,
'Fool-hardy Wretch, I ſee you bleed;
'But thank your ſtupid ſelf, and know
''Tis thus I cruſh each daring Foe'.
He little thought the Blood he ſaw
Came from his own deſtroying Jaw;
And knew not then the cruel Aim
Would bring himſelf to Jeſt and Shame.
But ſoon the envious Reptile found
He'd loſt his Poiſon by the Wound;
Bad News flies faſt; 'twas quickly known
The Tyrant's Pow'r to hurt was gone;
Then ev'ry puny Inſect ſneer'd,
And now deſpis'd what they had fear'd.
This Fable in its Moral ſhews
That Harm may hap from feeble Foes:
That vain, proud Men may ſometimes find
The meaneſt will offend the Mind:
He that is vain, becauſe he's wealthy,
Inſults the ſick, becauſe he's healthy.
The World will give due praiſe to Merit,
And not to Means that we inherit.
Curs'd in his Mind is he whoſe Spite
With Weakneſs, and with Vice unite.
Falſhoods have not the leaſt Defence,
For want of Truth is want of Senſe.
'Tis granted too, ill founded Rage,
Don't ſharpen Words, but blunts their edge.
And, like the Teeth oppos'd to Steel,
The Harm they mean, themſelves will feel.

The SPEECH of the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of *Virginia*, to the General Aſſembly of the ſaid Province, on *Wedneſday* the 19th Day of *December*, 1753.

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes.

THE Seaſon of the Year being far advanced, and the Buſineſs of the Aſſembly concluded, it is neceſſary to put an End to this Seſſion.

That Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, that diſintereſted Love for your Country, for which you have been diſtinguiſhed upon former Occaſions, has now, in ſome Particulars, not been ſufficiently attended to. The Friendſhip of the *Indians* is a national Concern. The Intereſt of *Great-Britain*, the Welfare of all His Majeſty's Colonies on this Continent, and your own Peace and Safety are engaged upon the Event of the preſent Meaſures.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Burgeſſes,

His Majeſty's Royal Command, for a mutual Supply, recommended to you at the Beginning of this Seſſion, to preſerve the Friendſhip of the *Indians*, to conſult the real Proſperity of your Country, and at the ſame Time to maintain the juſt Rights of the Crown, ſhould have been the fix'd Object of your Attention; but to diſregard the Deſigns of the *French*, to deſpiſe the Friendſhip of the *Indians*, and to diſpute the Rights of the Crown in the Diſpoſal of their own Lands, may be of bad Conſequence.

Next to the Service of my Royal Maſter, my greateſt Ambition will be to make this Dominion flouriſh, and the People happy; ſuch will be my Endeavours, and ſuch is the whole Tenor of my Conduct.

Let me therefore, *Gentlemen*, recommend to you, and deſire of you, during your Receſs in the different Counties, to cultivate Piety and Morality, by which you will promote the true Happineſs of the People; encourage Induſtry, to preſerve good Order and Regularity among them, that they may be truly ſenſible of the ineſtimable Bleſſings of His Majeſty's Reign. I have thought fit to prorogue this Aſſembly to the laſt *Thurſday* of *April* next: And you are accordingly Prorogued.

GENOA, *September* 3.

THE Treaty lately concluded between the Empreſs Queen and the Duke of Modena, relative to the Milaneſe, &c. ſeems to give much Uneaſineſs to this Republic; Orders have been given to complete all their Regiments, to which Purpoſe they enliſt the Deſerters, who come in daily from Alexandria, Turtonia, &c. They have likewiſe begun to remount the Cannon round the Walls, eſpecially towards the Sea. Mr. Grimaldi is expected from Corſica, but as yet the Republic have not appointed the Perſon who is to ſucceed him as Commiſſary General; it has been propoſed to ſeveral of the Nobility, but the Acceptance thereof has hitherto been declined; The Situation of Affairs in that Iſland are ſtill greatly embroil'd, and the Malecontents obſtinately refuſe to treat with, or return to the Obedience of the Republick, and have made ſome Overtures to the Emperor's Conſul at Nunza, to put themſelves under the Imperial Protection, and to annex the Iſland to the Dukedom of Tuſcany: The Conſul declin'd making the Propoſal to the Court of Vienna, and it is uncertain whether they have made Application directly themſelves. There is a Miſunderſtanding between the Chiefs of the Malecontents, and M. Gaffario has been diſmiſſed from his Employments.

Genoa, *September* 23. The Government has publiſhed an Edict, importing, 'That tho' the Rebellion of the People of San Remo, was ſo enormous that it rendered them unworthy of any Pardon, yet willing to exerciſe her Clemency on the preſent Occaſion, ſhe vouchſafes to grant a general Pardon to all who were involved in the ſaid Rebellion, and ſhall return within the Space of one Month, if they are not above 100 Miles diſtant, and within ſix Months, if they are at a greater diſtance. Fourteen Perſons, are excepted in this Act of Indemnity.

Madrid, *October* 1. A Letter from Faro, dated Auguſt 15, adviſes, that two Days before, the Captain of a Catalan Veſſel, which anchor'd off that Place, wrote to the Spaniſh Conſul, that he had met at Sea a Brigantine without any People on board, which by the Papers he judged to be Engliſh, for which Reaſon he deſired that one of that Nation might be ſent to him. Accordingly John Lampriere, a Britiſh Merchant, went immediately, when the Captain informed him, that about Eight that Morning he met the Brigantine at Sea, and ſuſpecting by her ſailing that ſhe had no one to direct her Courſe, he ſent ſome of his Men in his Boat to examine her, who did not find any living Creature on board; they obſerved every Thing in great Diſorder, the Maſter's Eſcritore broke open, and ſome Blood dried upon the Floor near the Cabbin, by which they imagined ſome Violence had been committed. Mr. Lampriere went immediately on board the Brigantine to take Poſſeſſion of her, when he found all the Catalan had ſaid to be exactly true, and her Cargo untouch'd. By the Papers found on board, it appeared that this Veſſel is the Chriſtopher, John Herron, Maſter, bound from Malaga to Dublin. There were ſeveral Bills of Lading in the Cabbin, and a rough Journal continued as far as Six a Clock in the Afternoon of Friday the 10th of Auguſt, but no Mediterranean Paſs. Since receiving the above Account from Faro, we have been informed from Cadiz, that upon News being received there of what had happened to this Engliſh Brigantine, they had ſtopped a ſmall Veſſel, which had been obſerved to put in ſeveral Times at a Place called Huelva, in Andaluſia; five of her Crew were taken; but the reſt, amounting to about twenty more, were ſaid to be gone upon an Expedition, to ſeize two new Xebecks that were in a ſmall Port near Huelva, called Moguer. Theſe Letters add, that this Gang of Pirates conſiſt of People of ſeveral Nations, and that the five who were taken were to be tried in a ſhort Time, when it was not doubted but they would, among other Things, confeſs the above Affair, as Pieces of the Mediterranean Paſs belonging to the Brigantine, were, it is ſaid, found upon them.

Edinburgh, *October* 9. By Letters received laſt Poſt from Dantzick, we have the melancholy News of the Death of Capt. King, Commander of the Prince of Wales Greenlandman, who periſhed on the 14th of September laſt, in endeavouring to ſave an Engliſh Boat in great Diſtreſs, in the Road of that City. Captain King had gone a Voyage to Dantzick, and his Ship was lying in the Road when they ſpied this Boat endeavouring to make their own Ship; but the Sea running very high, and the Weather being very ſtormy, they were in the utmoſt Danger of periſhing. Captain King, as ſoon as he ſaw them, reſolved to loſe his own Life or to ſave theirs, but the Event did not anſwer ſo generous a Deſign, for he with three of his Crew, as well as the Engliſh Boat, with all her Hands, were ſoon ſwallowed up by the Waves, only one Boy belonging to Captain King, being providentially ſaved.

LONDON.

October 20. The firſt Inſtant, between 12 and 1 a Clock at Night, the Houſe of Thomas Nugent, Eſq; of Donore, in the County of Weſtmeath, in Ireland, was conſumed to Aſhes, with all the Plate, Jewels, China, Houſhold Furniture, and Wearing Apparel, in the Whole to the Value of 4000 l. beſides the Houſe. Mr. and Mrs. Nugent, with three Children, and five Gentlemen, with great Difficulty eſcaped the Flames naked, loſing their Gold Watches and Snuff boxes. There was laid in his Wine cellar above 400 l. Worth of different Wines. The Houſe, tho' three Stories high, and very large, with two Returns, were conſumed in leſs than one Hour. This Misfortune happened by a Maid's leaving a Candle near the Wainſcot when ſhe went to Bed.

October 23. A private Letter from Edinburgh informs us, that William Crawford, Janitor of the high School there, a Man ſomewhat in Years, having been thrice proclaimed in the Kirk, went thither with all his Friends, and waited ſome Hours, expecting his Bride; at laſt he received a Ticket from her, in theſe Terms, "William, you muſt know, I am pre-engaged, I never yet could like a burnt Cuttie. I have now by the Hand, my ſonſy manly Strapper, with whom I intend to ſpend my youthful Days. You know old Age and young cannot agree well together; excuſe me then, old Friend, for in Faith I will not ha' thee.'——The good Man not taking this Diſappointment much to

Heart,

Heart, only ſaid, "Come, let us at leaſt keep the Feaſt on the Feaſt Day; Dinner will be ready, and let us drink and drive Care away; and may never greater Misfortune befal an honeſt Man." Accordingly they went back to Dinner, and from the Company convened the rejected Bridegroom, got 100 Marks and all Charges, with which he was perfectly ſatisfied, and thought himſelf at leaſt as well off as his Rival.

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, October 27.

On Monday laſt, about 5 a Clock in the Afternoon, a Thunder cloud burſt over the Houſe of Mr. Joſeph Gutterres in Orange-ſtreet, which tore off the Shingles of that, and the Houſe of Dr. Chovet, being both under one Roof, at which time the Lightning entered both Houſes. Mrs. Gutteres was then ſitting in a very low Chair in the Back hall, and the Lightning went over her Head, where it battered the Wall, without offending her; in the firſt Floor it diſperſed itſelf in every Part of the Rooms, ſplintering the Frames of many Pictures that were glazed, without damaging the Glaſſes over them. A dreſſing Looking glaſs particularly, mounted on two Pillars, and a Neſt of Drawers underneath, had all the Frame and other Wood work ſhaken to Pieces, without ever hurting the Glaſs, ſaving a little of the Quick ſilver in one of the Corners, which it had melted; it likewiſe paſſed behind a Cheſt of Drawers, where it entered the Crevices, and only cracking the back Part it viſited every Drawer. When this happened Dr. Chovet and his Wife were both ſleeping in Bed in their lower Back room, but being ſuddenly awaked, found themſelves ſurrounded with forked Lightning darting on all Sides of the Room, entring through the Partition wall, and at the Window, but through the great Mercy of Providence, neither he, nor his Wife were hurt, though the great Quantity of ſulphurous Vapour had almoſt ſuffocated them. The Doctor's Sword and Cane, which ſtood by his Bed ſide were both ſtruck with the Lightning, and ſo powerful was its Force, that it melted a little of the Gold from the Head of the Cane, and likewiſe ſome Part of the Blade of the Sword near the Point, which ſeemed to have been done without affecting the Scabbard; in the upper Back room and Garret, it likewiſe committed great Havock, by breaking the Windows, and Frames of the Shutters, it melted likewiſe ſeveral Iron and Steel Inſtruments that were there, but it particularly ſhivered a Fiſhing rod into ſo many ſmall Splinters, that it appeared like a Bundle of Straw.

NEW-YORK, December 3.

The Confuſion in this City, occaſioned by Counterfeit Copper Engliſh Halfpence amongſt us, is almoſt inconceivable;—for notwithſtanding the large Quantities of good Pence we have long had, there is now hardly any Sum offered, but there are Counterfeit Ones intermixed; and to ſuch a Degree of Suſpicion, is the common People raiſed, that many good Pence, which have paſt current perhaps for above twenty Years paſt are now refuſed.—What Puniſhment muſt be owing to thoſe Peſts of Society, who have thus artfully and villainouſly introduced thoſe baſe Halfpence amongſt us, by which the Fair-Traders, as well as the Poor, are thus injured.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.

Extract of a Letter from Bridgetown, *in* Barbados, *dated* November 5, 1753.

"We have lately been in a good Deal of Confuſion here, occaſiond by the Negroes, a Number of whom, for ſome Time paſt, have done Abundance of Miſchief. A white Man, paſſing quietly along one Night, about Nine a Clock, was met with by four of them, who knock'd him down, and cut and bruiſed him in ſo cruel a Manner, that he died ſoon after. Three of the Fellows are taken, two of which have been gibbeted, and the Trial of the third comes on To-morrow; the reſt not yet found. We are oblig'd to have a Number of Men to watch the Town every Night, and a Company of Horſemen patrole daily round the Iſland. One of the Negroes (who is ſtill alive in the Gibbets, tho' he has been up eight Days) told the Magiſtrates, that Chriſtmas Eve (had it not been diſcover'd) was the Time intended for the Deſtruction of the Town, and its Inhabitants, and its Inhabitants."

ANNAPOLIS.

We hear that about a Fortnight ago, a handſome large new Brick Houſe, belonging to Mr. Parran, *on* Patuxent, *was burnt down to the Ground, with all the Furniture in it. The Fire began when the Family was abroad, and had got to ſuch a Head before any Help came, that the Floors were falling in.*

Yeſterday arrived Capt. William Smith, *in a Snow from* Briſtol, *with* 52 *Indented Servants, having had a Paſſage of* 10 *Weeks. Capt.* Smith *informs us, that he ſaw a Wreck on the* Middle Ground *near the Capes; ſhe appear'd to him to have been of about* 400 *Hogſheads Burthen, had clean Turpentine Sides, a ſquare Stern, and he thinks a Lion Head.*

On Chriſtmas Eve, one Seth Evans, *a Caulker, having croſs'd* Patuxent *River in a Canoe, to fetch a Midwife (his Wife being in Labour), on his Return were both found froze to Death on the Marſh, next Morning, at a Diſtance from one another; the poor Woman ſitting up; but one of her Feet was ſo hard froze in the Ground, that they broke one of her Thighs in getting her out.*

TO BE SOLD,

A PARCEL of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, near the great Falls of *Potowmack* River, containing 200 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land, called the *Addition to James*. Any Perſon inclin'd to purchaſe the ſame, may apply to Mr. *James Holmeard*, junior, who will ſhow the Land; and for Title and Terms apply to the Subſcriber, living at *Upper Marlborough* in *Prince George's* County.

1 *Colmore Beanes.*

TO BE SOLD,

For Money, Tobacco, Indian *Corn, Wheat, Pork, or Lumber,*

A GOOD SLOOP that will carry near 1000 Buſhels of Grain: She is well found with Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and all other Materials.

2 *Kinſey Johns,*
William Thornton.

N. B. Time for Payment will be given, on Security, if required.

To be Sold by the Subſcriber,

GOOD *Weſt India* Rum, *Muſcovado* Sugar, Melaſſes, Coffee, Saſh Glaſs, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glaſs, Linſeed Oil, White Lead, and ſundry dry Goods, for Caſh, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Peaſe, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

4 *Patrick Creagh.*

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDEFORD, *Capt.* JOHN COLE, *from* BRISTOL, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at his Store in* ANNAPOLIS,

A LARGE Aſſortment of *European* and *Eaſt-India* GOODS, *Herefordſhire* CYDER, *Glouceſter* CHEESE, and Single Refined SUGAR at 1*s.* 6*d. per* Pound; alſo very good CLARET by the Dozen, or larger Quantities.

3 *John Brice.*

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDEFORD, *Capt.* JOHN COLE, *from* BRISTOL, *and to be Sold by the Subſcriber, at his new Store, near the Dock, in* ANNAPOLIS,

AN Aſſortment of *European* and *Eaſt-India* GOODS, at very reaſonable Rates, for Paper Money, Gold, or Bills of Exchange: He alſo Sells, good *Barbadoes* RUM, at 4*s.* 6*d. per* Gallon, SUGAR, at 8*d. per* Pound, and Sour ORANGES, at 2*s. per* Dozen.

4 *John Raitt.*

LOST about 8 Weeks ago, near the Head of *Severn*, a black and white HOUND BITCH, of the deep mouthed Southern Kind, her Tail cut. Whoever brings the ſaid Hound to the Vineyard, or to Col. *Taſker*, at *Annapolis*, ſhall have Ten Shillings Reward.

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NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber, now living in the Houſe, at *London Town*, where Mr. *Weſt*, deceaſed, formerly dwelt, has provided himſelf with good Boat, and skilful Hands; as alſo with good Beds, Liquors, and Provender for Horſes: All Gentlemen who ſhall think fit to favour him with their Cuſtom, may depend on a quick Paſſage over the Ferry, good Entertainment, and civil Uſage, from

Their humble Servant,
William Brown.

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N. B. He ſtill continues his Buſineſs of a Joyner and Cabinet Maker, and can furniſh any Body with the neateſt and neweſt faſhion'd Chairs, Tables, *&c. &c. &c.* at the loweſt Rates.

A SCHEME of a ſmall LOTTERY; For raiſing the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at *Baltimore-Town.*

Numb. of Prizes.		*Pieces of Eight.*		*Total.*
2	of	100	are	200
3	of	50	are	150
3	of	30	are	90
6	of	20	are	120
10	of	15	are	150
20	of	10	are	200
50	of	5	are	250
612	of	3	are	1836
1	firſt drawn			7
1	laſt drawn			7
708	Prizes,			3010
1042	Blanks,			
1750	Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are			3500
	For the public Wharf			490

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By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increaſed within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wiſhers to the Proſperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is ſuppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very ſhort Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A Liſt of the Prizes will be publiſhed in the *Maryland* Gazette, as ſoon as the Drawing is compleated.

The following Perſons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Truſt, *viz.* Meſſrs. *John Stevenſon, Richard Chaſe, John Moale, Charles Croxall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Ruxton Gay, William Lux,* and *Brian Philpot*, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in *Annapolis.*

STOLEN or Strayed from Mr. *Hepburn's* Plantation, near *Upper Marlborough*, about the 21ſt of *October* laſt, a Dark Brown Natural Pacing Gelding, about 13 Hands high, had a hanging Mane, and Switch Tail, between 5 and 6 Years old, and branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock A. Whoever brings the ſaid Gelding to Mr. *Hepburn*, ſhall have Twenty Shillings Reward.

THERE is at the abovementioned Plantation, a Stray Steer, of a Red Colour, about 3 Years old, has a white Face, a Crop and an under Bit off the right Ear, and an under Bit off the left Ear.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying the Charge of this Advertiſement.

TO BE SOLD,

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in *Frederick* County, within 12 or 14 Miles of *Frederick* Town, *viz.*

Part of the Reſurvey of *Fountain Low*, 300 Acres, lying near Major *Ogle's*, whereon is ſome very good Meadow Ground.

Locuſt Thicket, 190 Acres, lying on *Monocaſy*, with ſome valuable rich Bottoms. And,

Turkey Thicket, 400 Acres, lying on *Monocaſy*, with rich Bottoms.

The Title is indiſputable; for Terms apply to *Nathanael Wickham*, jun.

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